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W. R. ROBERTS

WILBURN ROBERTS SUCCEEDS STREET AS B'HOOD SECTY

Wilburn R. Roberts, who has been Associate Secretary of the Sunday School department, was elected State Brotherhood Secretary to succeed Rev. James H. Street, who resigned recently to return to the pastorate.

Mr. Roberts has served since October 1944 in the Sunday School Department, so he is not a newcomer to the work. He knows the state and Mississippi Baptists, and because of his experience will be able to take hold of the Brotherhood work and build on the good foundations laid by his predecessor.

Secretary Roberts is a graduate of Mississippi Southern and taught in the schools of the state prior to his connection with the Convention Board. He was active in the work of the Baptist Student Union while in college, and has been active in all phases of church life wherever he has gone.

Mrs. Roberts is the former Miss Nellie Mixon of Hattiesburg and they have one daughter, Kathleen.

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"Mother" Is Subject Of Newton's Sermon On Baptist Hour

A special Baptist Hour program originating from the Southern Baptist Convention in session at St. Louis, Missouri, and featuring Mothers' Day, will be broadcast next Sunday, May 11, according to the Radio Commission, S. B.C., S. F. Lowe, Director, Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Louie D. Newton, President of the Convention will bring the second of his two messages, using as his subject, "Our Mothers," as divulged in the announcement.

Mr. Lowe states that the interest in the broadcast is the best in the seven years of the Baptist Hour as is reflected in the universal cooperation of churches and pastors with this evangelistic series, as well as in the fact of outstanding fan mail response re-

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MISSISSIPPIAN COMMENDED FOR YOUTH WORK

Retired Army Colonel Writes Fla. Editor About Dr. Swor

I. W. Partin, retired Army officer with the rank of Colonel, former O.P.A. head, and presently a member of First Church, Ocala, Florida, of which Dr. Malcolm B. Knight is pastor, has written to the editor of the Ocala Star-Banner regarding Dr. Chester Swor's work among the youth of the community in his recent meeting in First Church.

Mississippians will be interested in this appraisal of a native son, who in one year travelled 45,000 miles and spoke to similar groups in 22 states.

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Lippard Elected Head Of Associated Church Press

NEW YORK, —(RNS)—Dr. William B. Lippard, New York, editor of Missions, official Northern Baptist Journal, was elected president of the Associated Church Press, organization of religious editors, at its annual meeting here.

Dr. David D. Baker, St. Louis, editor of the Messenger, official organ of the Evangelical and Reformed Church, was named vice president. New secretary-treasurer is Dr. G. Elson Ruff, Philadelphia, editor of the Lutheran, official organ of the United Lutheran Church.

Mother's Got The Right Ideal



Her life has been filled with more work than play, but she has learned how to fulfill her responsibilities with a glad heart; finding contentment in her family's welfare. Regular Church attendance gives Mother inner peace and faith—and you will enrich her store of happiness if you attend Church Mother's Day—and every Sunday.

College Students Honor Dr. Nelson "Tribesman" Dedicated To President



DR. D. M. NELSON

'IDEAL EXECUTIVE'—Dr. D. M. Nelson, president of Mississippi College, was described as an ideal executive, an educator of note, and a Christian statesman by the editors of the Mississippi College "Tribesman," and the book was dedicated to him. Dr. Nelson received the first copy of the annual from the hands of the editor, Charles Tolbert, on Friday.

Dr. D. M. Nelson, president of Mississippi College and one of the South's outstanding educators, was signally honored by members of the student body at chapel exercises Friday morning, May 2.

Coming as a complete surprise to the beloved college head, Charles Tolbert, editor in chief of the school's annual the Mississippi College "Tribesman," made the announcement that the volume was dedicated to Dr. Nelson and formally presented him with the first copy released.

Tolbert, who is a senior, made a brief talk calling attention to the fact

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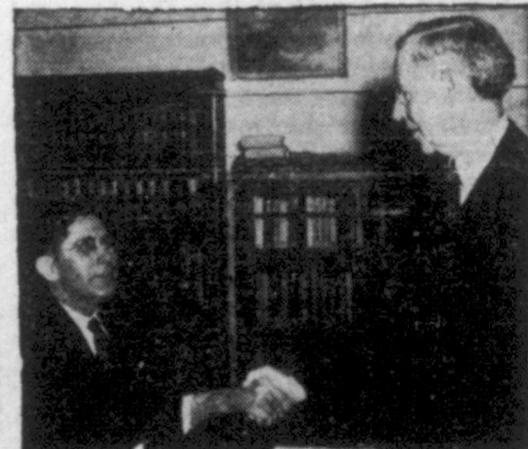
Law Enforcement We Must Act Quickly

By Norman W. Cox

All candidates for office in this summer's primary election must make their announcements sixty days before the primary. In the elections this year we will elect a governor, a legislature, sheriffs, constables, prosecuting attorneys and other officials who have to do in one way or another with law enactment or enforcement. The present law enforcement situation has largely been created by the attitude of the men who have been elected to these offices. What we have in Mississippi for the four years from 1948 through 1951 will largely depend upon the men whom we elect this year.

If we do anything about the selec-
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Dr. Andrew Potter, (standing) executive-secretary, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, sailed the last week of April with Mrs. Potter for Baptist mission fields in the Philippine Islands, China, India, Egypt and Italy. The convention in Oklahoma sponsored his trip and friends of the family, Mrs. Potter's. Here Dr. Potter is shown telling Assistant Secretary Thomas P. Haskins good-bye just as he left the office the last time. Dr. and Mrs. Potter will return to this country after a visit to the Baptist World Alliance in Copenhagen.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT
WE MUST ACT QUICKLY**

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tion of men with the right attitude on the subject of law observance and enforcement we must act quickly. The following things can helpfully be done. Unless they are done or something similar to them is done we may expect a continuance of what we have been suffering. Unless we alert ourselves to see that the right kind of men are put in office, conditions will grow worse instead of better. Can we do anything? The answer is that it is up to us. We who read the Baptist Record can do a great deal if we do what we can. The voting citizens who read the Baptist Record can assure the State of Mississippi a better law observance and enforcement. But the time is short. We must not delay action.

What can we do? There may be a better way of doing what can be done than some of the things I am going to propose. It is the best way I can think of. If you who read this know of a better way then follow the better way. But if you do not know of a better way then why not try this way?

First organize a Citizens Christian Council in your county. If some of our pastors and laymen will take this to heart as a call from the Lord to do something they can get together twenty-five to fifty good men and women and make a start. In a short time their membership will grow to several hundred. All they have to do is to do deliberately and positively and persistently something about it. These councils ought to be organized without delay. The opportunity for their best work will be over by the first of July. The time is too short to wait. If you want anything done, do it in the next week or ten days as far as an active beginning is concerned.

This Citizens Christian Council should refrain from running men for office as an organization. They should constitute themselves as a patriotic, fact-finding, courageous and determined group to give the public information about the men who run for office. After the Citizens Christian Council is organized they should prepare a questionnaire and present it to each candidate in their county who offers either for the legislature, or the senate, or for sheriff or for prosecuting attorney, or for constable, or any office that has to do with law enforcement. This questionnaire should ask those who are offering for office to tell what their personal practice and attitude is with respect to drinking, gambling, etc. It should ask those who are running for the legislature what their attitude would be towards legalizing the sale of liquor, towards strengthening our present laws against the sale of liquor, gambling etc. Other questions should be asked but these are special ones. The candidates for the legislature and senate should be asked their attitude towards the creation of a State Bureau of Investigation, and their attitude towards giving the governor funds with which to enable him to take steps when needed to bring about law enforcement.

After these questionnaires are given the candidates and they have given their replies, their replies should be published in the county paper. If the life history and replies of any candi-

**Glade Baptist Church Organized
Seeks Pastor—Plans To Build**

A Baptist Church was organized in the Glade community on Sunday April 13 with 30 charter members. There has been a need for a church in this community for a long time but it was not until Rev. John W. Cook, Jones County Associational Missionary, called together a group that anything was done about it. Since about three months ago, when the initial meeting was held, regular worship services have been held in the school building in the afternoon on each Sunday until the organization after which services have been held each Sunday morning.

A Sunday school has been organized and on Sunday morning April 27 there were ninety present. Nine members have been added to the church membership making a total of 39 members now. The church needs a pastor and a building and they have a pulpit and a building committee looking toward the meeting of these needs. The Missionary of the county will work with the church until they are led to God's man for pastor.

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**Siwell Expands—
Five Rooms Added**

Five new Sunday school rooms were dedicated at the Siwell church in Hinds county on April 13. Following a brief message by Pastor W. C. Graves, the audience adjourned to the new annex for the dedication. J. P. Sanford, representing the deacons, presided. Roy Phillips read appropriate Scriptures. Luther Lott spoke briefly on, "I've Seen It Grow."

Three testimonies by N. C. Finch, W. C. Ward and Miss Carolyn Collins traced the growth of the church, which now has 136 members. J. J. Eley gave the prayer of dedication. Two united with the church.

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Miss Sallie Lavinia Yewell of Jacksonville, Florida, has left the Florida Convention more than \$100,000 in her will. The Mercer school of law has been named after a distinguished alumnus, Senator Walter F. George. Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson of the U.S. Supreme Court made the dedicatory address.

CLINTON, Miss.—Miss Jewel Cole of Paynes, Miss., was elected President of the Mississippi College Women's Student Government Association this week. Miss Barbara Ann Given of Ripley, Tennessee was elected Vice-President and Miss Gwendlyn Compere of Florence, Mississippi as Secretary and Treasurer. The new officers are to act during the session of 1947-48.

There will be an all day sing at the Rose Hill Church, three miles west of Mize on the 11th of May, Mother's Day. Everyone is invited.—J. C. Butler, church clerk.

date are unsatisfactory that fact should be stated. With this information before the voters we can depend upon the people of Mississippi to elect to these offices men who have the right attitude on these vital questions. Unless we go about it in some definite way we will elect about the average kind that we have been electing.

After the election the Citizens Christian Council will still be in operation and they can stick by those who are elected to see that they carry through as they were expected to do.

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**MISSISSIPPIAN COMMENDED
FOR YOUTH WORK**

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Much in demand as an inspirational youth speaker, it is only occasionally that Mississippi pastors find an open date so that Dr. Swor may bring his messages to the youth of their communities.

Colonel Partin writes in part as follows: "Did your heart ever sing a song of gladness? Have you ever seen hundreds of up-turned faces, drinking in the words of a man who told them the facts of life? Is it possible that a stranger may strip the mimic mask from the ineptitudes of our present-day life that the young men and women of Ocala will go in multitudes to hear him? . . . Without fail, morning and evening, they went to hear him. . . In a fleeting moment, this disciple of Christ, Chester Swor, stripped from the empty pageantry of life many deep-seated fallacies which have plagued young people. At the First Baptist Church, Ocala, he supplied the wisdom and insight which adult leaders could use as a springboard to the teaching of spiritual values. . . The speaker did not pound the pulpit, did not shout, did not utter words suitable for non-churchgoers . . . he acted as a solid counsellor, sweeping away cynicism and doubt. . . This man told young people truths which should have been uttered to them many years ago, and by their elders, who may have reasons for not doing it."

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**"MOTHER" IS SUBJECT
OF NEWTON'S SERMON
ON BAPTIST HOUR**

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questing copies of the messages to be used in personal work.

The Baptist Hour may be heard in Mississippi over radio stations WCBI, Columbus; WGRM, Greenwood; WSLI, Jackson; WMAL, Laurel at 7:30 CST Sunday morning.

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**Festival Held At B. M.
Gore's Poem Praised Floris**

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., April 26—The Southern Literary Festival was held here yesterday with representatives from 14 colleges and universities present.

Author and poet Jesse Stuart, one of the feature speakers, read a poem by Floris Gore of Marks, senior at Blue Mountain College, and said "This is the best piece of creative writing by a college student I have ever seen. I wish I had written it."

"Freedom for the Weekly Press" by Jean Anderson of Blue Mountain received third honors in essays.

Dean Ernest H. Cox of Blue Mountain College, president of the festival, presided at the morning session. President Lawrence T. Lowrey gave the address of welcome which was responded to by Dr. W. Alton Bryant, head of the English Department of the University of Mississippi. David E. Guyton spoke on "Pot-Luck with the Poets" urging simplicity and familiarity with the subject.

The evening addresses were by Dr. Charles D. Johnson of Baylor University and Dr. Stanley Vestal of the University of Oklahoma.

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Due to Paper Shortage and so much news the crossword puzzle, Dorothy Page and other items have been omitted from this issue.

**COLLEGE STUDENTS HONOR DR.
NELSON — "TRIBESMAN" DEDICATED TO PRESIDENT**

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that during the present session the enrollment of the school had more than doubled. He mentioned the building program and the unusual progress made during the year and praised Dr. Nelson for his vision and foresight in his excellent leadership of the school.

Voicing their approval of the dedication of the yearbook to Dr. Nelson the student body applauded long and enthusiastically.

Visibly moved by the announcement and the reception by the student body, Dr. Nelson accepted the volume from Editor Tolbert, stating that he had had many surprises in his life, but that he could truthfully say that this was one of the greatest and most thrilling he had ever experienced. He said that he was deeply appreciative of the honor.

"The Tribesman" this year contained a full page picture of the president underneath which is the following inscription: "We were led by an ideal executive and educator of note, and a Christian statesman."

The tribute of dedication printed on the page opposite Dr. Nelson's picture in "The Tribesman" follows:

"We are proud to dedicate the 41st volume of the Mississippi College Tribesman to our president Dr. D. M. Nelson, whose challenging spirit, tireless energy, and inspired vision, have been devoted to the task of guiding and enlarging Mississippi College. Always ready to help us with our problems and never failing in his example of leadership, Dr. Nelson continues to prepare men and women for positions of greatness. We are confident that the destiny of Mississippi College is safe in his hands."

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**Decatur Intermediates Visit
Baptist Headquarters**

Pastor W. A. Hogan of Clarke-Venable Church, Decatur, the Intermediate Department of the Sunday School and their teachers Mrs. Mary McMullan, Superintendent, Mrs. Leon Ethridge, Mrs. E. G. Warren, Mrs. John Jones, S. A. May and W. D. Shannon visited the Baptist Headquarters in Jackson on Thursday, May first.

On the same trip the group visited the Baptist Orphanage, Mississippi College and Camp Garaywa. They had lunch in the park while in Jackson.

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The First Church of Batesville, Rev. Robert W. Martin, pastor, closed a week's revival Sunday night, April 20. Dr. Charles L. McKay, pastor of Toulminville Church, Mobile, Alabama, was preacher and O. L. Chambers, Educational Director at Bowmar Avenue Church, Vicksburg, led the singing. There were 20 additions, 12 by baptism with their pastor, Rev. Robert W. Martin, over 12 coming on profession of faith and 8 by letter.

The Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, of which Dr. F. M. Powell is pastor, experienced a successful revival the week of April 20-27 with Dr. Walter L. Johnson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, doing the preaching. The music was under the direction of Paul E. Ballard, Choir Director of Calvary Church, and Mrs. George W. Davis, Church Organist. There were six additions to the church.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

"For The Kingdom is the Lord's: and He is the Governor Among the Nations," Psalm 22:28.

In the home going of Brother J. B. Perry, Grenada, we lose an outstanding citizen, a faithful church leader, a successful business man, and a faithful friend. The heart of Brother Perry was always in the work of Christ through his church. His family members have much to remember on the pleasant side and a great deal to look forward to. Psalm 23. Jon 14.

I

The Executive Committee met in the office of the Executive Secretary April 29. All requests were acted upon.

The date of the Evangelistic Conference for 1948 was set for Tuesday morning through Friday evening, March 30—April 2. Dr. Vance Havner, Greensboro, North Carolina, will be a featured out-of-state speaker. Incidentally, all pastors and others interested should make note of this date.

Mr. Wilburn Roberts, an associate in the Sunday School Department, was unanimously and happily elected as Brotherhood secretary. We wired him and Mr. Williams that evening notifying them of this action. Today we have a telegram from Mr. Williams releasing Brother Roberts "under the circumstances." Another telegram from Mr. Roberts gives his acceptance effective May 1 which was last Thursday.

Five good men were nominated for the position, anyone of whom would have rendered splendid service. We like to believe the will of the Lord was done in the matter. Brother Roberts is able, constructive, loyal, spiritual, and we look forward with pleasure to working with him in this capacity.

II

It is depressing to know that there are 5,600 Southern Baptists Convention churches out of a total of 26,000, that baptized not a single person throughout 1946.

We have an abiding passion to see two things in Mississippi. First, we would like to see every Mississippi Baptist church baptize at least one person during the twelve months period. Second, we would like to see every Mississippi Baptist church give something to all the work of Christ within a given year.

Rev. C. E. Dearman, now retired for many years, a princely pastor, tithes his Annuity check monthly.

III

Pastor Joel Sturdivant, Merigold, and his churches have been active with others in sponsoring a constructive missionary program in Bolivar County. We have known and appreciated Brother Sturdivant since his first years in the ministry. We were privileged to be there in several services. Brother Schjeveland, Rosedale, led the singing. We were happy to come to know in a very personal way this very fine leader. We were entertained in the home of Professor and Mrs. Jack Sheffield. We were more than happy to add these two very good friends. The congregation was good and there were ten additions, seven for baptisms.

While at Pace in a revival we ran over to Cleveland to see Dr. and Mrs. Treadway. The building program at this fine church continues apace. We also had a brief visit with Dr. J. D. Simmons, long time friend and Christian physician.

During the Merigold revival we ran over to Gunnison to see Dr. H. L. Cockham, another long time friend, but missed him as he had just left on an extended vacation.

Leaders in giving invitations to services at Merigold were: Kenneth Blankenship, Libby Smith, Martha Sturdivant, Bobby Burris, Jimmy Roberts, Betty Boyd, Nancy Lou Denton, Bettie Sue Wells, Barbara Waldrup, Marie Hollis, Bill Williamson.

IV

Dr. F. M. Purser, Oxford, writes in words of highest praise of Evangelistic services by Dr. T. D. Brown, Macon, Mississippi. This good pastor Evangelist should be kept busy by our churches.

There were 132 people present at the Durant Prayer Meeting recently. Pastor C. M. Day and his people are happy in the work.

One of our churches should keep Dr. William Potter in Mississippi. He is leaving Carthage May 15.

Dr. Tyler, Blue Mountain, joins us in highly recommending Brother Bill Gamble, 8523 Dixon Apt. No. 1, New Orleans, Louisiana, a New Orleans Seminary student, as a mighty good summer supply for some pastorless church needing one.

V

Dr. W. E. Greene, Clarke Memorial College, writes, "This session we have enrolled approximately 150 preachers. These preachers have come to us from many states and from many different kinds of work; they come from railroad shops, cotton mills, farms, and many other kinds of work. In addition to these preachers, we have enrolled about 50 who have surrendered their lives for full time Christian service—some to be missionaries, some to be church secretaries, and some to enter the fields of Christian education and music. Altogether, we have enrolled more than 300 students. Approximately 80 student families are located in apartments on and off the campus."

Pastor J. T. Odle, Gulfport, writes, "Our work is making splendid progress. We have had more than seventy additions since February 15. Are to have a revival next week with the pastor preaching and Ray Bloodworth of Oklahoma leading the singing."

VI

Dr. R. L. Powell, Temple Baptist Church, Tacoma, Washington, a Mississippi College man, seminary man, and outstanding pastor, will be through

Mississippi about the 6th or 7th of May, and may be available for supply. We print this without his knowledge, but we know he loves his state, and would be happy to see him used in Mississippi.

VII

We realize there may be differences of opinion in the matter. However, we are sure there is a great deal of merit in the matter we now mention. We believe it would increase the usefulness of the preacher if he included junior law and at least a pre-med course in his college study. Psychiatry, sociology, and astronomy would each be interesting and helpful.

First, the preacher, of course, should major on Bible study. He should seek to know that Book from every angle. His mind and heart should be bathed in its teachings and spirit. Evangelism should be a first emphasis and soul winning a primary practice. He should know how to grow and build a New Testament church. The devil does the dividing and tearing apart. Third, he should have a compassionate spirit for the needy. There are many choice professions, but to us the ministry is the most noble of all.

VIII

Co-operative Program Gains

January 1947	\$70,567.45	March 1947	45,036.35
January 1946	58,660.72	March 1946	37,087.78
Increase	11,906.73	Increase	7,948.57
February 1947	46,371.70	April 1947	67,149.99
February 1946	41,326.70	April 1946	54,667.87
Increase	5,045.00	Increase	\$12,482.12

We see from these figures that we have gained during the first four months of this year a total of \$37,382.42 over the same four months of the preceding year. We must gain \$150,000 each four months if we reach our \$1,000,000 goal for the year. We registered a gain of only 20% of this amount. We are gaining, but we must gain much faster if we do this tremendous thing we set out to do.

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The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Dr. William Potter, Carthage; Rev. Jas. N. Brister, Oil City; Rev. J. C. Allen, Carthage; Mrs. Earle H. Wright, Jackson; Mrs. J. G. Stephens, Jackson; Dr. Fred Moseley, Lucedale; Rev. Howard H. Aultman, Holly Springs; Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Ray, Starkville; Rev. and Mrs. R. D. Pearson, Macon; P. H. Watson, Greenville; Rev. Fred B. Bookter, McComb; Rev. V. R. Crider, Sardis; Dr. and Mrs. James C. Taylor, West Point; Rev. W. A. Hogan, Decatur; Rev. Orman Knight, Richton; Rev. and Mrs. M. M. Brown, Clinton; Dr. Walter L. Johnson, Philadelphia; Mrs. G. E. Clifton and Mrs. Fortenberry, Jackson; Mrs. L. J. Lowe, Laurel; Rev. M. S. Varnado, Pascagoula.

Rev. S. M. (Happy) White, Summit pastor, has returned from Atlanta where he led in a revival at Moseley Drive Church. There was a great spiritual awakening and five additions. Mrs. White assisted with the music.

Paynes Church is pastorless. It is a good full-time country church a few miles from Charleston. In addition to a new church plant, there is a new three-bedroom, two-bath parsonage. Gas, lights and water are furnished by the church. The salary is approximately \$200 per month. The editor of the Baptist Record will be glad to forward letters to the proper party.

In an impressive service on Sunday afternoon, April 27th, the Brewer Baptist Church in Lee County, of which Rev. Roy M. Lewis is pastor, ordained Ray Barber, Fred Watts, Luther Trammell, and Elzer Waycaster as Deacons. The song service was led by Fred W. Davis, Training Union Director of the Calvary Church, Tupelo. Dr. Walter L. Johnson, pastor of the First Church of Philadelphia, gave the charge to the deacons, Dr. F. M. Powell, pastor of the Calvary Church, Tupelo, presented the Bible, and Rev. Bill Watson, Educational Director of Calvary Church, led the Ordination Prayer. Visiting deacons taking part in the service were W. E. McClure and J. T. Randle also from Calvary Church.

Second Avenue, Laurel, gave their new pastor, Rev. J. H. Street, a great reception on his first Sunday in his new field. Sunday school attendance was 462. There were eight additions and the offering was almost \$900.00. The church is sending the interim pastor, Rev. W. L. Clark and Pastor and Mrs. J. H. Street to the Southern Baptist Convention. An educational secretary is being employed to begin work on July 1. The pastor's home is being remodeled and redecorated.

On April 6th, the First Church and all of Shreveport, Louisiana, joined in celebrating the thirty-fifth anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. M. E. Dodd in this church and city. During these thirty-five years 13,067 members have been received into the church membership and \$3,870,784.82 has been given to all causes. During this period fifteen other Baptist churches have been organized in the city and have drawn heavily in both money and members upon the First Church. The Radios, Newspapers and Public Officials of the city united in expressions of appreciation for the monumental work done under the leadership of Dr. and Mrs. Dodd. And at an over-flow service on Sunday morning, Chairman Clare C. Clark of the Deacons and Chairman Grover C. Koffman, LLD., of the Board of Directors expressed the appreciation of the church. The church has voted to send Dr. and Mrs. Dodd to Copenhagen and from there on a Mission Tour to Africa and South America.

SERMON HEARTS from the BOOK OF ACTS in two volumes is by Dr. W. W. Melton. The author does not pretend that the study is exhaustive, but believes that the outlines may be helpful to others, since they have been helpful to the author. The messages are not commentary-like, but heart-to-heart talks. The author's approach is fresh, sound, penetrating and pleasantly personal. The author is a native Texas, graduate of Baylor and Southwestern Seminary. For several years Executive Secretary of Missions in Texas, Dr. Melton is at present pastor of Columbus Avenue Church, Waco, Texas. Orders from the publishers, Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, or from the Baptist Book Store. The price is \$4.00 for the set.

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The Church Makes The Pastor

"The Church Makes The Pastor" is the heading of an article in the Washington Baptist (District of Columbia) "Good Tidings". It was copied from The Western Recorder, official periodical of Kentucky Baptists. Its good.

Says the article, in part: Without ignoring the Divine call, "the church may not be able to make him the best, but they can help make him the best." It takes co-operation. "Understand your pastor and don't let him wonder if he is really loved. Don't leave him out of your 'inner circle'. The pastor's work is normally of such serious nature. The pastor is called where there is deep grief. Do you ever call him when there is joy?"

"Make him your equal in every respect. He has the right to enjoy every comfort you enjoy; he should have a margin of income beyond his actual needs. Don't let critical words destroy and don't say a hurtful word about your preacher." And, we say "Amen" to that good preaching.

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Mother's Day: Every Day!

May 11 is designated as Mother's Day.

If mother still lives she will appreciate the "fuss" we make over her and will 'complain' of our extravagance and say "you didn't have to do that", etc, etc. . . but she loves it just the same.

Did you know the word "mother", in itself, is used 244 times in the Bible. That makes it a pretty important subject. Wonder if we just don't take mother "for granted" too much. I speak of the average child, young and old. Mother becomes such a 'fixture' in our daily routine for the first 18 years or so, and then when we get away from her "apron strings" we sorta use the annual "Mother's Day" for an excuse to 'make up to her' the things we take for granted all through the

year, 'Tain't right. MOTHER'S DAY SHOULD BE EVERY DAY.

We owe more to mother than just our love and attention. We owe her our very life. We, who are and were blessed with Christian mothers, owe more than physical life to her; most of us learned our first lessons "about Jesus" at her knee. We may depart from those early teachings but the honest child never forgets them even though the conscience may 'bother' at times when we aren't doing what mother would have us do.

We venture a practical suggestion for honoring mother this year. If your Christian mother has been called Home "to be with the Lord", why not take the money you would have spent on her for Mother's Day and add that amount to your contribution for the Baptist Hospital. You will honor your mother, you will honor her Lord, and you will honor the Great Physician who still heals bodies through the agency dedicated to that purpose . . . The Baptist Hospital.

Somehow we feel that "ma" would rejoice in her Heavenly home if her boy or girl would honor her in such a way. We know you will feel better for having given such a gift for Mother.

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Religious Liberty Is Worth Fighting For

Religious liberty has been bought at great price and even though attained and now a vital part of our statutes, the principle must not be forgotten by us, nor laid on the shelf so to speak.

The first government in the world whose corner-stone was absolute religious liberty was that granted to the colony of Rhode Island by Charles II in 1663 according to Vedder, Baptist historian. Prior to this time the inhabitants of Providence who had followed Roger Williams from Salem had submitted to the same principle in a compact signed in 1638 and another in 1640. Adopted in the code of laws in 1647 it was finally incorporated in the royal charter.

Leading in the first laws of religious persecution, intolerance, and taxation upon Baptists for support of the Episcopal Church, Virginia was also the first state to see the shame and tyranny of such laws, and under the leadership of Thomas Jefferson and Patrick Henry these laws were repealed. In 1786 the legislature passed an "Act for establishing religious freedom", drawn by Jefferson and advocated by James Madison. The other states followed. It was not until 1833 that

Massachusetts swept the last remnants from her statute books.

Baptist churches began to grow with the many disabilities removed. Through the years Baptists have stood for absolute separation of church and state and complete religious liberty. Toleration is not a Baptist word. The teaching of a few Baptists became a fundamental principle in our national constitution.

People who had the privilege of hearing Dr. Truett's message on Religious Liberty given on the steps of the Capitol in Washington soon after World War I will recall the majesty of his message, and those who did not hear it may catch something of the thrill as they read the words from the late prince of preachers.

Religious liberty is something we must not lose. We must not take it for granted.

Again Virginia is leading the way! Virginia Baptists, as other Baptists should be, are aroused by the infringements upon religious liberty and they are offering suggestions for action. Read the Richmond-Dover Memorial in the issue of April 24. We labeled it Virginians Launch "Religious Liberty" Fight. Southern Baptists should think carefully on this matter. When the highest court in our land hands down a decision providing funds for parochial schools (in form of bus transportation), we no longer have absolute separation of church and state. Our principle of religious liberty is endangered and Baptists, who, when we were few in number, first had this principle injected into our laws, state and national, should come to the front to fight now in the might of our Southern Baptist constituency to retain for ourselves and generations yet unborn the religious liberty we hold dear.

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Proof At Last "They Hope"

A RNS dispatch from Rome reports that "Roman Catholic scholars are awaiting with mounting interest the result of excavations in the vaults of St. Peter's Basilica which they hope will reveal the tomb of St. Peter, Apostle and first Pope, an archeological discovery that would be of profound importance to the entire Christian world". Brother, that's only half a truth and how embarrassing it will be IF THE BONES ARE DISCOVERED. How will the hierarchy of Leo's papal college "explain away" the mother-in-law of Peter . . . alleged by Roman Catholics to have been the first pope. Just a question?

Bowmar Avenue Plans Building Program

The Bowmar Avenue Church, Cicksburg, Homer W. Roberson, pastor, in conference Sunday, April 27, voted unanimously to enter into a building program which will probably call for the expenditure of \$100,000 and the erection of an entirely new building. The church authorized the pastor to secure an architect for the purpose of studying the present building facilities and to draw plans for the new building.

Some of the accomplishments of the church since the coming of Past Homer W. Roberson about two years ago are the following: The organizations have been departmentalized; mission work has been carried on persistently, and out of this work Bowmar Avenue has had a part in the organization of two churches, Woodlawn and Immanuel; the present church building has received considerable repairs and beautification; a new pastor's home has been purchased and paid for; more than three hundred have been added to the church, bringing the total membership to five hundred and twenty-five; and a sane and sound financial system has been inaugurated. The church has also employed a full-time educational director and pastor's assistant, O. L. Chambers, who is adding much to the effectiveness and growth of the church.

It is imperative that Bowmar Avenue build in order to minister to the people in our section of the city. The building at the present time is far too small to care for the membership.

This building program is likely to be a long range program. Monies for the expansion program are now being raised and as quickly as financial receipts justify, the new building will be begun. We ask the prayers and the wholehearted support of our membership and friends.

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Union Seminary Organizes WMU

The Union Seminary church in Jasper county recently organized a Woman's Missionary Union. Pastor and Mrs. O. D. Cargile met with the ladies. The following were elected: President, Mrs. W. G. Breedlove; first vice president, Mrs. Woodie Ulmer; second vice president, Mrs. J. H. Chancellor; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. O. W. Walters.

This is the first W.M.U. ever organized in the church. The young people's organizations will be set up at a later date. People are happy that this work is being started.

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Antioch Church To Be Dedicated Cox And Hedgepath Will Preach

Construction of the Antioch Baptist Church in western Copiah County has been completed and will be dedicated on May 11. Services will be held in this new building thereafter each second and fourth Sunday. Rev. E. E. Hedgepath of Monticello is the pastor.

There will be morning and afternoon services on May 11, with Rev. Hedgepath in charge in the morning service and Rev. Carey E. Cox of Hazlehurst to speak in the afternoon.

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As a result of a recent revival in Pinola Church, J. W. Bush Sr., treasurer of the church, sent 12 new names. The Baptist Record is in favor of such action.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD

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**Making The Most
OF OUR
MISSISSIPPI MEN**

J. H. STREET, Secretary
Brotherhood Department
P. O. Box 530,
Baptist Building, Jackson

RETIRING SECRETARY REPORTS
After practically two years service with the Convention Board in the Brotherhood Department, we feel that the Lord is leading us to return to the pastorate. As we leave the position of state Brotherhood Secretary, we desire to make a brief report.

Nearly Two Years

The Brotherhood Department was opened on June 1, 1945. It was our privilege to become the first secretary of the Department and to lead in setting up the promotional program for Brotherhood work in Mississippi. On May 1, 1947, our services as secretary were ended.

Credit Is Given

We have had help in the work from sources too numerous to mention. To the Father in Heaven we give all glory for what has been accomplished. To scores and hundreds of friends over the state we give the credit for help in countless ways. Dr. D. A. McCall, our colorful and adventurous State Mission Secretary, has gone to extreme lengths to render every possible assistance and it has been a most happy experience to work with him at all times. Mrs. W. H. Alexander, our first office secretary, and Miss Joan Henderson, our present secretary (who took Mrs. Alexander's place upon her promotion to Dr. McCall's office), have labored unsparingly in caring for the office and helping with a thousand details. Harry Smallwood, of Laurel, has worked tirelessly with us at all times. Other Brotherhood Convention officers, district and associational workers, pastors and laymen all over Mississippi have given generous aid. Secretary Cooke, of the Memphis office, and his associates and the secretaries of Brotherhoods in the other states have cooperated nobly.

I would like to mention the gracious helpfulness of the people connected with the Board staff and other denominational workers. They all have been most cooperative. Miss Eunice Sandlin and Mrs. Verdie Lindsey, of the Board office, gave much needed assistance in the days before our office had a secretary. All other workers have endeared themselves to us in countless ways!

Progress Under The Lord

We now have 147 Brotherhoods reported in the state. This represents about a two hundred per cent increase over the number (52) we found upon coming to the department. Eleven associations are organized for Brotherhood work—Covington, Deer Creek, George, Jones, Lauderdale, Pearl River, Gulf Coast, Madison, Pike, Leake, and Tippah. Eight district organizations have been formed and have been fully staffed. All have held two meetings each. A state Brotherhood Convention was organized on April 1, 1946. It has held two meetings with gratifying attendance and interest.

Interest At High Point

Interest in Brotherhood work in Mississippi is most encouraging. Reports of new Brotherhoods come at

GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13c and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that they profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

**OLD MONTPELIER IS
NUMBER 859**

One of the recent additions to the growing list of EVERY FAMILY Churches is Old Montpelier in Clay County, Rev. W. O. Pippen, pastor.

A recent letter from Pastor Pippen brought a list of 17 names and \$17 with instructions to send the Baptist Record to these people.

The Baptist Record is glad to welcome this new church and this new list to the EVERY FAMILY group.

Clay county now has Record readers listed as follows: CEDAR BLUFF 16, PHEBA 32, WEST END 25, WEST POINT 152, Hebron 2, OLD MONTPELIER 17, NEW MONTPELIER 16, Pine Bluff 4, ENON 16.

DANIELS CHURCH, JACKSON

Dr. C. S. Thomas, pastor of Daniels Church, is having various state workers to present their work in order to acquaint his people with the work and the workers.

Having plenty of time we explained the various operations required to produce a weekly religious newspaper. We also gave the following reasons for supporting the Baptist Record:

1. It is owned by Mississippi Baptists.
2. It is a good paper.
3. It indoctrinates the people.
4. It prevents the spread of erroneous ideas.
5. It helps the work.
6. It boosts finances.

Daniels church is located in suburban Jackson and has a well-planned plant. The Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan has been in operation for years.

The Sunday School attendance was at an all-time high on April 27. Recently the auditorium has been remodelled and another room is to be added in the near future.

A revival and V.B.S. is planned for the latter part of May.

Pastor Thomas in discussing the Baptist Record said, "We believe the Baptist Record has helped in making the progress we have made."

Baptist Record readers in Hinds County are now listed as follows: BEULAH 45, BETHESDA 59, BOLTON 24, BYRAM 18, CALVARY 1,294, CHAPEL HILL 22, CLINTON 270, DANIELS 79, DAVIS MEMORIAL 120, EDWARDS 35, Griffith Memorial 3, JACKSON FIRST 955, LEARNED 18, NORTH SIDE 218, Palestine 10, PARKWAY 440, POCAHONTAS 19, MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE B.S.U. 242, RAYMOND 61, SOUTH SIDE 71, UTICA 68, ELRAINE 18, NEW HAVEN 31, MT. MORGAN 18, VAN WINKLE 181, TERRY 113, SLEM 29, SIWELL 35, MIDWAY 9.

the rate of about two a week. The outlook is most encouraging.

Back To The Pastorate

We shall be grateful for the kind interest and prayers of all our friends as we take up the work as pastor of the Second Avenue Baptist Church, in Laurel.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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RETREAT REFLECTIONS REPORTED

A total of 183 people registered at the Moorhead Retreat. Last year we had 145 at Decatur. Twenty colleges were represented this year, twenty-one last year. Carl Nowell, of Miss. State writes: "...the experience we had at the Retreat was both inspirational and educational. We feel... that we can better serve our campus as a Christian group." Riley Munday, of Delta State, writes: "The Retreat was really good. All the students from Delta State enjoyed it." All of us appreciate, I'm sure, the excellent job of entertaining us which Miss Carla Albritton, BSU Secretary; President W. B. Horton, of Sunflower Junior College; Dr. O. P. Moore, of the Moorhead Church, and the Sunflower students did. In addition, we are grateful for every pastor, leader and student who took part on the program. We believe the Retreat was a blessing to many through whose lives many more will be blessed in the days to come.

As we face a new BSU year, let us pray much for our new State Officers: Wayne Coleman, Miss. College, President; Bill Jones, Millsaps, 1st Vice-President; Powell Ogletree, Miss. Southern, 2nd Vice-President; Juanita Kelly, Jones Junior College, 3rd

Vice-President; Annie Pearl Kelly, Clarke Memorial College, Secretary; Mary Anne Martin, Belhaven, Magazine Representative; Joyce Herring, Hinds Junior College, Reporter; Mary Ruth Johnson, Blue Mountain, Ridgecrest Representative; Billy Thames, Miss. State, Extension Chairman; Martha Bailey, MSCW, Talent Chairman, and Dr. W. A. Bell, Hattiesburg, Pastor-Adviser.

POTPOURRI

Pray for the great Southern Baptist Convention meeting this week in St. Loie, for some of us as we try to know and to do God's will in the selection of the one student from Miss. who will do VBS work in Hawaii this summer, for those of our students who are preparing to do revival work in (so far) eight Miss. revivals, for Miss. Baptists who do not even pay their just debts to God, much less give the Lord anything... Besides the Retreat, I have recently visited the Draughons (Jackson) prayer meeting, which averages about twenty daily, twice; Tougaloo, the great Negro college, and the opening of the beautiful new Baptist Book Store here in Jackson. Many Jackson students, and I, were greatly blessed in the visit of Miss Frances Barbour, of the Nashville office, following her several appearances at the Retreat...

**27 Additions To Webb Church
In Recent Revival**

Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, pastor of Parkland Church, Louisville, Kentucky, was the evangelist in the revival at Webb, April 21-27. The music was under the direction of Professor R. Inman Johnson, of the School of Music, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Pastor L. Frank Campbell reports 22 professions of faith, 14 of whom were above 15 years of age. Five united with the church by transfer of letter.

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Houka: A native son, Paul Harwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Harwood of Houka, preached at Houka on April 27. Mr. Harwood is a student at Wood Junior College, Mathiston.

According to Pastor L. Frank Campbell of Webb the church plans to send a chartered bus to Ridgecrest in June with 25 attending one week of the Sunday School Conference.

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— Woman's Missionary Union —

President—Mrs. Wima B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

CAMP GARAYWA

The construction of the camp continues. It is our expectation that it will be ready for the opening date of the camping season—May 26th. We hope that it will be possible for many of you to visit the camp prior to that date. You will rejoice in the adequate camp that you are building. It is dedicated to the Lord and for His glory only. The service MARKING THE HOURS FOR THE MASTER at the Convention expresses our hope and longing for Camp Garaywa.

MARKING THE HOURS FOR THE MASTER

Reader: "What mean ye by these stones?"

Group Response: "These stones shall be for a memorial unto the children—forever."

First Marker: We dedicate this place—this good ground.

Group Response: May it bring forth fruit an hundredfold.

Second Marker: We dedicate our leadership to our Lord Jesus Christ.

Response: May every camper through Christian guidance find the true way of life.

Third Marker: We dedicate every moment of every day spent on this hallowed ground.

Response: May the time spent here bring all who enter, close to Heaven—in order that they may bring Heaven close to all.

Fourth Marker: We dedicate the physical plant which will form the body of this camp.

Response: May God so breathe His spirit into every part of it that it shall become a living thing.

Fifth Marker: We dedicate all recreational facilities which will consume our excess energies.

Response: May we learn fair play and cooperation and be re-created in the spirit of Christ.

Sixth Marker: We dedicate all eating facilities and every meal prepared by every loving hand.

Response: May we be ever mindful that the bread and water of life are all that can sustain us when the soul is hungry.

Seventh Marker: We dedicate all places of prayer where campers will call upon the Lord.

Response: May all with patience wait and with purpose do His bidding.

Eighth Marker: We dedicate the Royal Ambassadors who will be trained here.

Response—By All R.A.'s: May we be always "Loyal to Royal" within and ever busy for our King.

Ninth Marker: We dedicate the young women whose hearts will feel the missionary impulse.

Response—By all G.A.'s and Y.W.A.'s: May we determine to deny ourselves and follow the living Lord.

Tenth Marker: We dedicate our Christian constituency to concern for missions and missionaries.

Response: May we hold up Camp Garaywa as a great mission enlistment center for the Master.

Eleventh Marker: We dedicate the policies and the plans of Camp Garaywa.

Sat. S.S. lesson

Response: May the moving finger of God point the way.

Twelfth Marker: We dedicate Camp Garaywa to missions for the Master.

Response: May it be a memorial unto the children forever—Turning their hearts to God—Their eyes to the need—Their hands to the gift and themselves to the going.

LIBRARY MEMORIAL SHELF. Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union voted to contribute \$500.00 (\$100 annually) for books in the Training School library. These books constitute a memorial to Mrs. J. L. Johnson, who served for 30 years as the Training School Trustee from Mississippi. Miss Georgia Fancier, a Mississippian, who is librarian at the Training School writes, "Thought you would like to know how we used the \$100.00 of the Johnson Fund this year, so am enclosing a copy of the 46 books purchased with this money. How we thank Mississippi W.M.U.—and what a help it is! Our library has built up now to the point where it is beginning to be a "workable collection" and how proud I am of it! It is filled to overflowing most of its open hours—night and day."

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The North End Church, Beaumont, Tex. has recently closed a revival in which Rev. L. G. Sansing of Beenville was the evangelist. There were 33 additions, 22 of them on profession of faith. The church is now in a building program. The first unit will cost \$80,000. The estimated total cost will be \$300,000.—J.R. BRELAND, pastor.

Clarke Students Lead Youth Revival At Hickory Grove

The Hickory Grove Baptist Church, Lauderdale County had a great weekend Youth Revival recently. Services were held on Friday and Saturday nights and two services Sunday.

A Youth Revival team, composed of students at Clarke Memorial College led in all services. There was a great revival spirit manifested in the church and especially among the large group of young people. Two young men, brothers, made professions of faith and became candidates for baptism.

Those comprising the youth team were: Glen Dismukes, Prichard Alabama, preacher; Miss Maureen Greer, Milam Texas, and Miss Louise Waddell, Conowingo, Md., young people's workers.

Rev. Charles L. Phipps is pastor of the Hickory Grove Church.

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Indian Springs Church, Jones County, ordained three men as deacons on April 20. They were Ray H. Hoffett, Kenneth Smith and Ray Evans. Pastor V. J. Moss served as moderator and Rev. H. J. Rushing of Laurel preached the ordination sermon. Others participating in the ordination were W. W. Moffett, Sr., Fenton Meador, Rev. John W. Cook, Paul Robinson. Serving on the council in addition to those mentioned above were Rev. W. B. Sanderson and Deacons Lamar Allen, Fleet Moss, P. O. Perkins, H. C. Bullock.

If you are interested in 16mm motion pictures for religious education, you are invited to send for a free sample of Film & Radio Guide. Subscriptions and inquiries should be addressed to Dr. William Lewin, Educational and Recreational Guides, Inc., 172 Renner Avenue, Newark 8, N. J.

Here's What They Say About THE EVERY FAMILY PLAN And The Mississippi College ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN

Dr. L. Bracey Campbell, Pastor of the Marks Baptist Church: "A few weeks ago we sent you a check for \$200.00 on the Enlargement Campaign Fund. For just a few days yet, I must delay my effort to raise a sum by the Ten Dollar a Record Family movement. I shall start my list with the name of Old Bracey Campbell and go on from there. Had I the time, I would get pleasure from going to a number of places and talking to the saints about this matter. It is a plan so simple with possible results so ample that I am surprised it had not before occurred to somebody."

Rev. A. B. Pierce, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Arkansas: "May I congratulate you for falling upon the idea of asking each subscriber to the Baptist Record to contribute \$10.00 to the Enlargement Fund. Being a subscriber to the Record, I am enclosing my check for \$10.00. I do hope you will be able to continue until the buildings are completed."

Honorable Leland Speed, Mayor of Jackson, Mississippi: "I have been noticing the publicity in the Baptist Record regarding the "Every Family Record Plan" of raising necessary funds for Mississippi College. Even though I have made a considerable contribution to your college on its building program, I am enclosing my check for \$10.00 to help carry out this plan, which I think is a very fine one. Mississippi College is try-

ing to make education available for our boys who have lost from one to five years in the army. It is now or never with these boys; because it is not likely that they will return to school in later years, after having already missed several years when they would ordinarily have been in college. I sincerely hope that every family will send in their \$10.00. They will then have a part in this great institution and in the very worthy cause which you are trying to take care of at this time."

ANOTHER DEAD LINE

We have about 85 Mississippi Baptist pastors indicating their desire to participate in the Widow's Supplemental Plan. We are holding their checks and applications pending further developments. We must have approximately 175 pastors in order to meet the minimum requirements at the present time.

July 1, 1947 is another deadline for the operating of this plan. If we do not qualify by then, we will have to wait until January 1, 1948.

We will be glad to receive applications from our other pastors.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD
Baptist Building
Jackson, Mississippi



**Department
of Church
Music**
LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

MUSICIANS, MUSIC AND MONEY

Many churches have had large debts in years gone by and had to save every penny possible. I am glad that those days are over and I hope that they will never return.

Some of our church leaders have felt that all of the work done in our churches should be done because we love the Lord. Many pastors worked at some other profession and only on rare occasion was given money for his services.

In modern years we have held to the theory that a church musician should give of his time just as the Sunday School teacher, Training Union worker or other church worker does.

Musicians are specialists, spending many precious hours of practice in order to produce good music. No one but the musicians know how much money it costs in order to be a master of music. One going through a conservatory or majoring in music in college spends hundreds of dollars and even in the thousands.

Many of our musicians have not had the opportunity to go away for study but have worked hard at home with the local teacher.

If you have a good musician, pay him for his services. If he is doing a good job, take care of him financially for he needs it.

When you have a person come to your church to lead the music in a revival, if they do a good work and help your music program, remember one thing: His music cost dear while obtaining it.

Many of our churches are dividing the love-offering 50-50. I honestly believe that the music is the hardest work. If a teacher holds a good School of Music for you, take a good love offering and pay him well.

STATE MUSIC LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Make your plans now for our State Music Leadership Conference, June 29-July 4. Present and future musicians are wanted. If each church would send at least two persons, the choir director and the pianist, we would be well on our way to better music.

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Isola has 27 Baptist Records on the EVERY FAMILY Plan instead of 25 as recently reported.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

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In our District Convention last year for District Two, meeting in Greenville we had the pleasure of having a group of our Chinese friends on the program. Rev. D. I. Young, Missionary to the Chinese in Mississippi, along with Mrs. Kelton Smith who is a volunteer worker in the mission, worked up a good program for us for these young people to render. The program consisted of songs, recitations, and the participation of one of the smaller boys in the contest. He was really fine and made a splendid contribution to the program, as did all for that matter. We are glad to give, above a picture of this group, with contestant in the foreground. This year the convention for District Two will be in the Linn church, Sunflower Co. and we shall be looking forward to our Chinese friends attending this convention also.

Ten dollars, yes ten dollars, that's what I made this week, and my grocery bill is exactly ten dollars, so I will go pay it—but wait, I only have nine dollars for one dollar of this is the Lord's and HE is my preferred creditor. I must be honest with Him and I believe He will help me to adjust my living so that there will always be enough to FIRST deduct the tithe for His work and meet my other obligations with the other nine tenths. Be one of the million Southern Baptist tithers this year.

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

- (1) Juniors; (2) All Others
- Sun. (1) I Chron. 29:1-9. (2) Eph. 6:1-3
- Mon. (1) James 4:1-10 (2) Prov. 1:8-15
- Tu. (1) Psm. 119:17-24 (2) Col. 3:20, 23-24
- Wed. (1) Luke 8:11-21 (2) Prov. 31: 25-31
- Th. (1) Rev. 3:13-22 (2) John 1:35-42
- Fri. (1) Ex. 19:1-9 (2) Joshua 21:14-15
- Sat. S.S. Lessons

YOUTH WEEK RETURNS

We shall never know the full returns of Youth Week, and we do not have space here to report everything we have in the way of reports. We do want to mention four churches that rather excell in some ways. Rev. Dan Morton, pastor of the Catchings church writes: "Many have said that Youth Week is the finest thing ever planned for our young people. We are expecting the one we have just held in our church to be the means of leading many into Christian work. We licensed our Youth Week Pastor Sunday night after he preached his first sermon. Others on program have made definite commitments. Rev. Garland McInnis of River Avenue church, Hattiesburg says "we had a Youth Revival in connection with our Youth Week program. 10 of our young people dedicated themselves for Christian work. Prentiss used 41 young people having every place of leadership from pastor to ushers taken over by the young people. Philadelphia used 56 using 15 of this group as deacons, the others made up the following church committees, ushers, publicity, social and finance.

You may have had Youth Week and have not reported it. We will be glad to have your report. If you did not observe it this year, make your plans now to do it in 1948.

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Baptists Get Assurance Of Transportation To Alliance

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(RNS)—A special service to assure transportation for delegates to the Baptist World Congress, to be held in Copenhagen, Denmark, July 29-August 3, has been established by American Airlines and Thos. Cook and Son, it was announced here.

The meeting of the Baptist World Alliance will be attended by hundreds of delegates from the United States. American airlines is arranging round-trip passage so that delegates may obtain passports.

The State Department has made provisions to expedite the issuance of passports to delegates representing recognized Baptist churches throughout the country, if the applicants can show evidence of holding return passage from Europe.

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Mrs. Chas. Fincher recently sent us a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions for the Record. These were from First Church, Greenwood.

BETHEL IN BATTLE. A Chaplain's Sketch Book

Dr. Barney Thames, Pastor, Trinity, Texas, says of it: "Yours is the most remarkably effective war story book I have read to this date."

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Department Of Temperance Activities

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Many pastors and laymen have been contacted through the past few days, especially in the central and southern parts of the state, in an effort to organize Christian Citizens Leagues. Several counties are in the process of organization at the present.

We appreciate the many letters written us in response to the articles in the Baptist Record and in response to the letters sent out from our office.

It was a joy to meet with the Southeast Mississippi Pastors Conference last Monday, April 21, and to have fellowship with about forty pastors in a great conference.

Sam Morris, the Voice of Temperance, spoke to a large crowd at the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Monday night, April 21. It was indeed a great hour. We had the privilege of presenting our work to a large, re-

sponsive congregation at Van Winkle Baptist Church Wednesday night, April 23. Brother Milner and his people are certainly wide awake and are doing a great work. On Thursday night, April 24, we met with a splendid group of pastors and laymen at Purvis. A Christian Citizens League is in the making in Lamar County. A similar group met at Monticello, Lawrence County, Saturday morning, April 26, looking toward the organization of Lawrence County. We were with Brother Coulter and his good saints at Taylorsville on Sunday, April 27, and had the opportunity of presenting our work to a large congregation. They are wholeheartedly behind our work.

If your county does not have a Christian Citizens League, we shall be glad to assist in the organization of one in any way that we can.

Dr. B. H. Duncan Is Elected Editor Of Arkansas Baptist

CLINTON, Miss. May 3 — Herschel Saucier of Biloxi was elected president of the Mississippi College Student Body in the annual student election Friday. He is the son of Chaplain N. B. Saucier who won National fame when he faced enemy fire during the war to recover the body of Ernie Pyle.

Other student officers who were elected to serve during next session are:

Everett Cole, Philadelphia, vice president; Ellis Griffith, Prentiss, attorney; Peggy Berry, Prentiss, secretary-treasurer; John Olander, Morgan City, head cheer leader; Roy Brigance, Gloster, Junior Cheer Leader; Ruth McGuffie, New Hebron, Sophomore cheer leader; Charles Talbert, Philadelphia, editor of Tribesman; Charles Ray, Ft. Worth, Texas, business manager of Tribesman; Louise Harvey, Prentiss, editor of Collegian; Bob Canzoneri, Lebanon Junction, Ky., business manager of Collegian.

The new editor is a Kentuckian by birth and was pastor of Baptist Churches along the Atlantic seacoast before coming to the Hot Springs pastorate nine years ago. He has been prominent in state Baptist affairs for the last several years. He is chairman of the state convention's Radio Commission and a member of the Executive Board and the Administration and Finance Committee of that Board. A book from his pen will be published soon by the Broadman Press.

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By Bracey Campbell
Lesson for May Eleventh

COMBAT ON MOUNT CARMEL. I Kings 18.

I. Elijah the Tishbite. Read I Kings 17. All we knew of his background is just nothing. He was Elijah the Tishbite, of the sojourners of Gilead, one of those servants of God who come upon the stage wearing the mantle of obscurity with which God sometimes clothes His servants, performed God's will and went away at God's command. Elijah was wholly devoted to God and God provided him with the things he needed.

II. Condition Confronting Elijah. The condition was the result of the leadership of Jeroboam the son of Nebat who made Israel to sin. He had set up idols at Bethel and Dan and had bid the people worship his golden idols, because he feared to allow them to go up to Jerusalem to worship in the temple lest they turn from him back to their union with the tribe of Judah. Rapidly one dynasty after another came to reign in the north, and each of them went out in violence and blood. As rapidly the national life declined and disintegrated under the leadership of one bad king after another until there came Ahab, the husband of Jezebel. She was a heathen woman of strong character and decided purpose, sincere in her religious convictions, determined to blot out the worship of Jehovah and to make His name but a despised memory. She largely succeeded. Result: Rottenness!

Came Elijah to proclaim from God a famine in the land. The famine was not a curse, but a remedy. There are worse things than parched land and famished cattle and hungry, ragged people, and it was against these worse things that Elijah came in protest. The severity of the physical dearth grew toward an equality with the spiritual famine. Then God sent this lone man against the banded hordes of wickedness in a combat to the death.

III. A Challenge to Mortal Combat. Elijah could not live in a land where his God was despised. "Summon all your soldiers of the dark domain of the devil, and let us try this quarrel hilt to hilt, and let the winner take all spoils."

IV. Frowning Forces. At the summons of the king, God's enemies came crowding to the scene of combat. 1. (a). The king, Ahab. A weak king, whose claim to distinction is that he was the husband of Jezebel. (b). The mess of people, the rabble, the mob, the wishy-washy, they who say all religions are alike, all gods are equal, one church is as good as another. Now there is not a man nor a million of that bunch who are worth their weight in corn shucks anywhere to anybody. The people who are worth while to the Kingdom of God are those who believe something positive and stand for it. The Baptist who is just as much a Buddhist as he is a Baptist is not worth a cent as either. The Methodist who is just as much a Mormon as he is a Methodist is a coward in either camp. (c). The prophets of

Cast Of Blue Mountain College's Operetta, "Countess Maritza"



THE YEAR'S TOUR

By Joyce Bolton who played "Zingo" in "Countess Maritza"

Chartered bus, forty college girls, snatches of song, trunks full of tambourines and gypsy costumes—with these ingredients, information need scarcely be given that this was March 10, 1947 and the beginning of another tour for the Blue Mountain College opera cast. The production was Emmerich Kalman's three-act musical play Countess Maritza. Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, our president, was in charge of the tour.

Our first stop was Tupelo. There we gave Northeast Mississippians a preview of our performance by broadcasting a thirty minute program over WELO. We were received by a gracious audience that night which helped to reassure us, but the highlights of our first day was the lovely supper given us at the Country Club.

We reached Water Valley the next day and found equally lovely entertainment. Upon our arrival, we were given lunch by the W.M.U. After another gracious audience Tuesday night and another excellent portrayal of Mississippi Baptist hospitality, we were more than ever looking forward to the remainder of the tour.

We entered the Delta Wednesday morning and in Greenwood, our next stop, we found an elaborate luncheon awaiting us. Despite the heavy rains that came that afternoon and night, we had a full house.

Thus with high spirits, we went to Clarksdale on Thursday. We were fortunate enough to have another lovely luncheon waiting for us. We were informed upon arrival that the auditorium in which we were to give the Countess Maritza could not accommodate the prospective crowd. We were moved to the beautiful municipal auditorium and played to a magnificent audience. After the performance that night we climaxed the climax by attending a social planned for us. There was an abundance of every kind of food that college girls could wish.

With such hospitality afforded us, we were quite reluctant to leave Clarksdale.

Friday was the last day of our tour and this stop was Mississippi State

College. We were welcomed royally and given a lovely dinner that night. In Starkville we found one of our most appreciative audiences yet.

Thus laden with echoes of laughter and song and many precious memories, we packed the trunks of another year's opera and wended our way back to our college home in the hills of Mississippi.

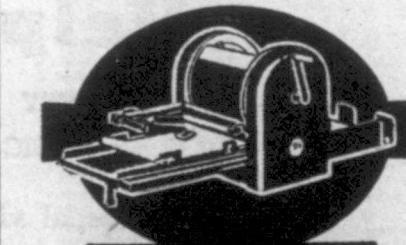
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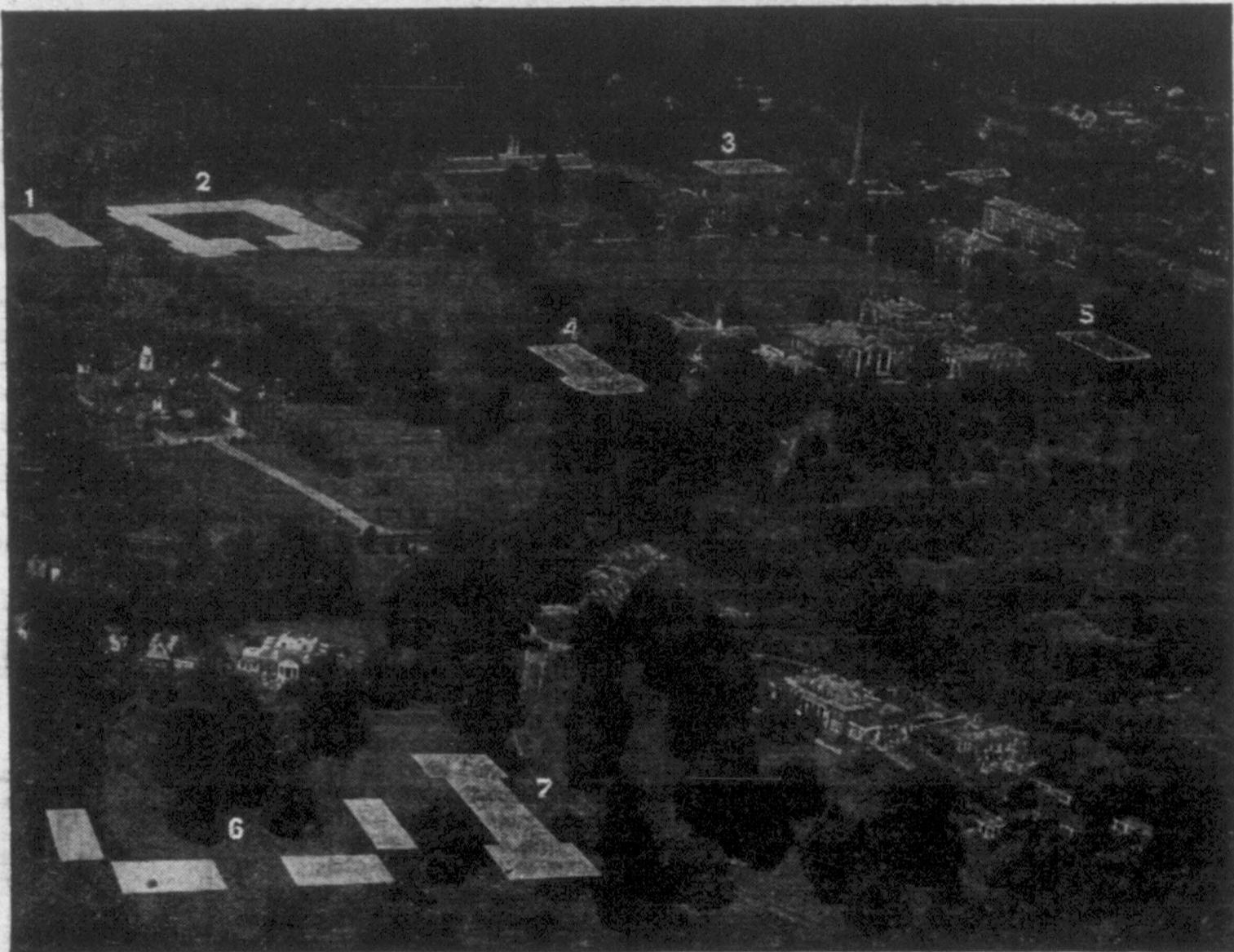
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SAND HILL HAS WORK DAY

By E. W. James

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The men came early to work, the young people joined them later, and at noon the ladies brought a delicious

luncheon. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the regular prayer service of the week was held with the pastor in charge. The men then continued work till late in the afternoon. Another "work day" is planned in the future. It was a great day.

The highlight of the day was to have been a message by State Secretary, Dr. D. A. McCall but due to the high wind and lack of a suitable landing place, Dr. McCall was unable to land; but the fact that he did come to Sand Hill and wave as he flew over was an inspiration to all.

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	S.S. B.T.U.
Center, Union County	175 56
Crystal Springs	492 92
Wellman, Lincoln County	82 62
Booneville	238 96
Jackson, Calvary	1,456 317
Jackson, Calvary including	
Stone St. mission	1,524 341
Jackson, Northside	302 100
Jackson, Daniel	244 73
Jackson, Van Winkle	325 176
Jackson, Southside	147 97
Friendship, Pike County	204 95
New Zion, Copiah County	90 41
Crystal Springs, Walthall	
County	121 87
Petal-Harvey	226 74
Gulfport, First	584 143
Brookhaven, First	667 117
Pascagoula, First	620 115
Paul Truitt,	
Rankin County	59 54
Eastside, Rankin County	72 44
Hattiesburg, Main Street	907 266
Lucedale	231 61
Rocky Creek, George County	190 125
Providence, Forrest County	134 96
Laurel, Second Avenue	462 81
Hattiesburg, Fifth Avenue	456 167
Boyle	241 85
Tupelo, Calvary	405 99
Cherry Creek, Pontotoc	
County	60
Eden, Yazoo County	22
Union, Pearl River County	133 72
Picayune, First	390 127
Wallerville	70 35
Cross Roads,	
Webster County	20
West Point	465 125
Darling	52 23
O'Tuckolofa, Yalobusha	
County	68
Batesville	242 45
Pickens	406 219
Hebron, Yazoo County	72 95
Agricola	92 48
Jackson, Parkway	628 211
Soso	94 72
Center Ridge, Yazoo	
County	65
New Albany	664 211
New Albany including	
North Side mission	701
West Laurel	413 88
Laurel, First	635 119
April 27, 1947	
Center, Union	170 70
Glenfield, Union County	74 34
Mantee	143
Grenada	770 98
Providence, Tippah County	79
Harmony, Tippah County	67 40
Union, Pearl River County	147 74
Laurel, Beacon	237 84
Columbus, First	890 205
Enon, Panola County	98 84
Okolona	181 88
Picayune, Goodyear	119 64
Pickens	91
Rocky Creek,	
George County	207 128
Oak Grove, Calhoun County	68 42
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Rev. B. H. Benton who has been conducting a Tent Revival at Poplarville, since May 4, working with Rev. S. J. Rhodes and Dr. Judson Chastain, will begin a revival meeting at East Side Church, Pascagoula, on May 18. This meeting will continue through Friday night, May 23.

John M. Tubbs has been elected as Training Union Secretary for Virginia Baptists. He is a 1947 graduate of the Southern Seminary at Louisville.

Hebron Church (Yazoo Co.), has just completed a very successful study course. There were 89 enrolled, an average attendance of 79 and 55 qualifying for awards. David Mayhall of Miss. College taught the Adult Manuel, Herbert Batson associate pastor at Clinto, the Intermediate Manuel; Miss Lucile Grogan, First Church, Jackson, the Junior Manuel and Miss Agnes Mathews of Miss. College

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the Story Hour Manual. A social was enjoyed the last night.

Blue Mt. Summer School Begins
June 4—Second Term July 10

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., April 30—Blue Mountain College's summer session will begin June 4 and end August 15. The second term begins July 10. Registration day is June 4 and the first assembly is June 5 at eight a.m.

Personnel of the faculty follows: Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, Ph.D., president and director; Mrs. J. B. Leavell, dean of women; Ernest H. Cox, Ph.D., dean and professor of English; Annie Hendricks, B.A., registrar; Alonzo M. Donnell, M.A., chemistry; George R. Swann, Ph.D., English; Linda Berry, M.A., voice, public school music; Lucy Hutchins, Ph.D., Latin; Elizabeth Hutchins, M. A. Spanish; Eula Dees, M.A., social science; Elizabeth Purser, B.A., B.L.I., B.E., speech arts; C. J. Smyly, Th.M., Bible; Lucy Lamb, B.A., librarian; Mrs. Virginia Swann, M.A., English; J. E. Buchanan, Jr., B.S., business manager; Ethel McCarty, education; Thos. P. Stephens, M.A., education; Mrs. Anna Orcutt, M.A., psychology.

J. B. Perry Passes At Grenada

J. B. Perry, deacon and teacher of one of the Men's Bible Classes of First Church, Grenada, died on April 5.

The death of the prominent layman was a terrific shock to the church and all Grenada as well.

When Mr. Perry did not arise at his usual hour, his wife tried to awaken him only to find that he had passed away in his sleep.

The funeral was held on Easter Sunday afternoon from the First Church, Grenada and conducted by his pastor, Dr. Glen Eric Wiley. It was said to be the largest funeral ever held in the church. The building would not accommodate the people who wished to attend. Several states were represented.

Many fine tributes were paid Mr. Perry as a citizen, as a business man, and as a great Christian.